

The meeting was called to Order by Moede with the following Roll Call at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Moede, Nitschke, Smith

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Heron, Ald. Voss, Ald. Hoy, Ald. Pasbrig, Kathie Wild, Shelley Eilbes, Bill Linzenmeyer, Chris MacNeill, Zack Heron, Sally Kahlhamer, Brian Paynter, Brian Wendorff, John Hennig, Roger Williams, Kate Liebenow, Sue Smith

Item #2 - Approve the minutes of the May 19, 2008 meeting(s).

Motion by Nitschke, second by Smith to approve the above minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 - Citizens Comments.

Kate Liebenow who is the new Main Street manager introduced herself. She also reviewed the activities that Main Street is currently working on.

Item #4 - Monthly Fire Department Report.

A. Nothing to Report.

Item #5 – Monthly EMS Report.

A. Update on Hiring EMS Drivers.

John Henning reported that they have received one application so far for the driver positions. The ad will be in the Mayville News this week and will run for a total of three weeks. All the information is also on the city website along with the city channel.

Item #6- Monthly Police Department Report.

A. JAG Grant.

Captain MacNeill reported that they have started the application process for the JAG Grant through the Office of Justice Assistance. There is \$475,000 available however each municipality if chosen would get \$10,000. The grant would be used for light bars on squad cars, replacing defibrillators and replacing outdated weapons. Chief Linzenmeyer suggested during this years budget process to develop a fund at bay to have available money when it is needed for matching grants. Most of the grants require a cash match of 25%.

B. Introduction of Sex Offender Residency Restrictions Ordinance/Discussion.

Chief Linzenmeyer introduced a sex offender residency restriction ordinance. The purpose is to define residency limitations to high classified sex offenders which require community notification. The ordinance would put a limitation on where they would have to live in the city. They would have to live a certain distance from areas where children congregate such as parks, schools, churches and daycares. We currently have 7 sex offenders that live in our city however they are not offenders that require community notification. We also have 60 people on probation and parole. The ordinance was modeled after Green Bay. Green Bay currently has a distance of 2,000 feet. Mayville is probably looking at a distance of 1,200 feet. The ordinance will be put back on the agenda next month for further discussion.

C. Dodge County Humane Society Contract/Dog Handling.

Chief Linzenmeyer explained that we currently don't have a contract with the Dodge County Humane Society. We currently have a contract to take stray dogs to Green Lake Area Animal Shelter. He would like us to switch to our contract to the Dodge County Humane Society. Currently, the police department has to figure out who will transport the dog and has to hold on to the animal if Green Lake Animal Shelter isn't open. They recently had a problem with a dog getting mauled by a stray dog. This situation made the police department realize that they don't have the expertise or equipment to haul the dogs and also the ability to manage the dogs. Bill has contacted the Humane Society and they currently charge \$80 per dog if they assist and a

\$25.00 pick up fee. If the owner comes and picks up the dog before the humane society gets there they will not charge the \$25.00 pick up fee. If the owner picks up the dog at the humane society the owner will be charged the \$105.00 fee and the city will not be billed. We currently have \$500.00 in the budget for the handling of stray dogs. In 2005 we used \$130.00, 2006 we used \$240.00 and in 2007 we used \$390. So far this year we have only used \$50.00. The police department does plan on still holding the stray dogs for 24 hours since most dogs are picked up within that time. However the owner will be charged a \$15.00 fee. The only people that can take animals to the humane society are the police department. This contract will only apply to dogs not cats. There was some discussion as to if the new Dodge County Humane Society will take in stray cats also. They will only take in stray home cats. Bill will have contract put together with the humane society. This will be put on the agenda next month for approval. The money is already in the budget.

D. Vandalism/Community Involvement.

Captain MacNeill reported that they completed numerous vandalism investigations. They had 11 complaints and \$4,500 worth of damage. They have arrested four juveniles from 14-16 years of ages. Also arrested were two juveniles ages 17 and 20 who were on parole that went to jail. They are asking the citizens to help be their eyes. Anyone who sees suspicious activity is asked to call the police department and report it.

E. Donation to Alcohol Drug Program from Mayville School District.

The alcohol drug program received \$616 from the Mayville School District as part of a grant the district received.

Item #7– Emergency Government Report.

A. Tornado Watch Call Outs.

Chief Linzenmeyer explained that we had four tornado warnings within the last couple of weeks. There was a lot of flooding of basements but we survived the worst. We are very fortunate to have a loyal Public Works department, Police Department, Fire Department and EMS. The emergency action planned worked.

Item #8- Discuss/Recommend Approval of Liquor/Beer License Application for Audubon Inn LLC, Tasha Zagar, Agent.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Nitschke to recommend to council for approval the liquor/beer license application for Audubon Inn LLC, Tasha Zagar, Agent. Kathie explained that this license can be issued only when the old owners of the Aububon Inn surrender their license since there isn't an open liquor license available. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #9 –Discuss/Approve Removal of Bench by Express Video.

Shelley explained that we got a call from Express Video asking if the bench in front of their building could be moved due to a safety issue. She was told two people almost fell into the bench. Ald. Smith expressed that our job is to make the city safe. There have been problems in the past with benches and the problem was referred to as musical benches. Ald. Nitschke mentioned that there was a problem with a bench in front of Bridge Street Pub that was moved last year. She feels if it is a safety issue than we should move the bench. We won't be establishing a precedent since people still need to come before the Public Safety committee with their requests before a bench is moved. Ald. Hoy expressed that this is a slippery slope and that people are constantly changing their minds about the benches. Ald. Smith expressed that it shouldn't matter if people change their mind. We should remove every bench if they're a safety hazard. Ald. Pasbrig asked what the safety issue is. He suggested that we define it and make a decision on that. Ald. Smith made a motion to move the bench in front of Express Video and to consider every request we get to move a bench due to a safety issue. The motion died due to a lack of a second. Ald. Moede recommended that more research is done on the issue. He will go to Express Video and talk to the manager/owner to find out more information. The item was tabled until next month.

Item #10 – Discuss/Recommend Putting Park Benches on Horicon Street between Clark Street and Piggly Wiggly.

Ald. Moede asked that this item be put on the agenda. He had received a request from someone that lived in the elderly housing across from McDonalds to have park benches on Horicon Street toward Piggly Wiggly and toward Marshland Pharmacy. Ald. Moede read Vern's written report which stated that the Parks Department has a couple of old benches at Theiler Park that would be used. Concrete slabs would have to be poured behind the sidewalk with sufficient right of way behind the sidewalk. It was asked where the money would come from for the concrete since this wasn't budgeted for. Ald. Pasbrig questioned what we are basing the decision on. Is it just two people or all of the senior housing that wants and will use the benches? Ald. Moede will check with property owners where the benches would be located and talk to the people at the elderly housing about the need for the benches. The Mayor stated that he would like to know exactly how much this would cost. Motion by Ald. Nitschke, second by Ald. Smith to table issue until next month. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #11-Discuss/Review Liquor License Application Inspection Requirements.

Ald. Moede expressed that he had gotten requests from five liquor license holders to stop the building inspector inspections on renewal of the liquor license because the inspection was redundant. There were complaints that the bars owners had to come in for the inspections during their non-working hours. There was discussion on the need to change the ordinance especially since last year was the first year that we had started enforcing the building inspector inspections on renewals. During last years recodification it was noticed that the ordinance stated that the building inspector should be doing inspections on new liquor license applications and on the yearly renewals. Ald Smith expressed that he had done some research on other cities ordinances and the vast majority of them don't have the building inspectors come in but there are some that do. Ald. Smith referred to Madison's ordinance which states that the building inspector only inspects the premises on a new application and not on a renewal. He feels we should revise our ordinance to only require the building inspector to do an inspection on a new application. Kathie will work on revising the ordinance with the city attorney and will present at next months meeting.

Item #12 –Adjournment.

Motion by Nitschke, second by Smith to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathie Wild, City Clerk